



Social Media: Hurricanes

#HurricaneSafety #FallSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

Please help the NWS spread these important safety messages on social media! Everyone is welcome to use the text and images provided below to help the NWS build a Weather-Ready Nation.

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Peak Hurricane Season

Facebook

Peak hurricane season is from mid-August to late October. However, deadly hurricanes and tropical storms can occur anytime. Stay prepared. Find out how you can prepare and know your evacuation zone. <http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/prepare/> #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

Twitter

Peak hurricane season is mid-August to late October. Prepare! weather.gov/hurricane #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne



Hurricane Forecasts

Facebook

Know Your Risk, Take Action, and Be a Force of Nature! For the latest hurricane forecast information and how to be prepared, visit www.hurricanes.gov #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

Twitter

Know Your Risk, Take Action, & Be a Force of Nature! Visit www.hurricanes.gov #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne



It Only Takes One

Facebook

Remember, it only takes one storm to change your life and community. For more information on hurricanes and hurricane safety, visit the National Hurricane Center website at

<http://www.hurricanes.gov> #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

Twitter

It only takes one storm to change your life & community! Prepare! weather.gov/hurricane

#ItOnlyTakesOne



Storm Surge Video

Facebook

What is storm surge? Storm surge is the abnormal rise of water generated by a storm's winds and, historically, the leading cause of deaths in the United States in hurricanes. Storm surge can travel several miles inland, especially along bays, rivers, and estuaries. Watch this video to learn about storm surge and how to stay safe!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bBa9bVYKLP0> #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

Twitter

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Evacuation Zone

Facebook

Do you live in a hurricane storm surge evacuation zone? If so, you need to plan on where you and your family would ride out the storm if you are told to evacuate.

<http://www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family> #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

Plan where your family would ride out the storm if told to evacuate!

<http://www.ready.gov/evacuating-yourself-and-your-family> #HurricaneSafety



Storm Surge New Maps

Facebook

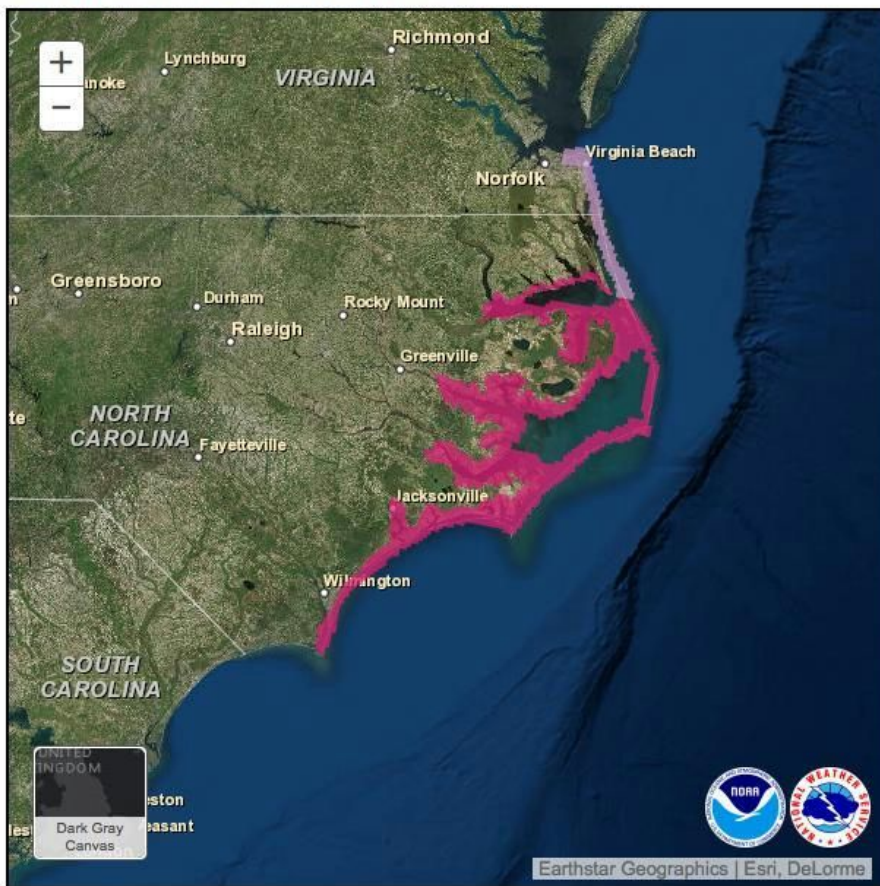
Storm surge is the number one threat to life and property when it comes to hurricanes and strong coastal storms. The National Hurricane Center will be issuing a prototype storm surge watch/warning graphic this season, highlighting those areas along the Gulf and Atlantic coasts of the United States that have a significant risk of life-threatening inundation by storm surge from a tropical cyclone. http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/news/20150318_pa_surgeWarning.pdf #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

.@NHC_atlantic will issue prototype watch/warning graphic for storm surge.
http://www.nhc.noaa.gov/news/20150318_pa_surgeWarning.pdf #HurricaneSafety

Prototype Storm Surge Watch/Warning Graphic*

Hurricane Zelda
Advisory 12 Issued: Fri Jul 04 2014 8 PM EDT



Storm Surge Threat

Facebook

Storm surge is often the greatest threat to life and property from a hurricane. So is the inland flooding caused by the heavy rainfall. Each can cause major damage to your home and pose a significant risk of drowning. Stay away from floodwaters! Six inches of fast-moving flood water can knock over an adult. It takes only two feet of rushing water to carry away most vehicles - including pickups and SUVs. Turn Around, Don't Drown! tadd.weather.gov/ #FloodSafety

Twitter

Storm surge is often the greatest threat to life and property from a hurricane. tadd.weather.gov/ #FloodSafety



Preparing Boats for a Storm

Facebook

Listen to weather forecasts and plan ahead! Don't wait for a Hurricane or Tropical Storm Warning to secure your boat. By then, it's too late to safely work on a dock. Haul out your boat or add additional lines as soon a hurricane or tropical storm watch is issued. This will typically give you 48-hours before the anticipated onset of storm winds and will allow you to safely secure your boat. <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/marine/safeboating/before.shtml>

Twitter

Boaters: Secure your boat for a hurricane BEFORE a warning is issued.

<http://www.nws.noaa.gov/os/marine/safeboating/before.shtml>



(photo taken in Galveston, TX, post Hurricane Ike - 2008)

Build a Preparedness Kit

Facebook

Get ready for hurricanes with an Emergency Supplies Kit that includes three days of food and water. Having your supplies stored in one place will give you peace of mind if you need to take shelter or evacuate. <http://www.ready.gov/kit> #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

Your hurricane emergency kit should include 3 days of food and water. <http://www.ready.gov/kit> #HurricaneSafety



Create a Communications Plan

Facebook

Your family may not be together when a disaster strikes, so it is important to plan in advance: how you will get to a safe place; how you will contact one another; how you will get back together; and what you will do in different situations. Create a Family Communications Plan.

<http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan> #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

Your family may not be together when a disaster strikes. Make a plan

<http://www.ready.gov/make-a-plan> #HurricaneSafety



The worksheet is titled "Family Communication Plan" and features logos for "Ready" and "FEMA". It includes a cartoon character of a man with a backpack and a speech bubble that says "Text, don't talk!". The main heading is "Know the Numbers!" and the form is divided into two columns for recording contact information. A note at the bottom instructs to cut out the form and keep it safe.

Family Communication Plan

Emergencies can happen at any time. Do you know how to get in touch with your family if you are not together?

Let them know you're OK!
Pick the same person for each family member to contact. It might be easier to reach someone who's out of town.

Text, don't talk!
Unless you are in immediate danger, send a text. Texts often have an easier time getting through during emergencies, and you don't want to tie up phone lines needed by emergency responders (like 911).

Know the Numbers!

Home: _____	Adult: _____
Parent: _____	Home: _____
Cell: _____	Cell: _____
Work: _____	Neighbor: _____
Parent: _____	Home: _____
Cell: _____	Cell: _____
Work: _____	Neighbor: _____
My cell: _____	Home: _____
Sibling: _____	Cell: _____
Cell: _____	Out of state friend/relative: _____
Sibling: _____	Home: _____
Cell: _____	Cell: _____

Memorize your home and parents' cell phone numbers!

Cut this out and keep it somewhere safe like your backpack, school notebook, or wallet. Or input these numbers into your cell phone if you have one.

Hurricane Education for Youth

Facebook

Disasters affect everyone - including kids! Help the kids in your life learn how to prepare for a hurricane by playing a fun game along with Owlie Skywarn, the National Weather Service Mascot! <http://youngmeteorologist.org/> #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

Learn hurricane preparedness with @NWSOwlieSkywarn at <http://youngmeteorologist.org/> #HurricaneSafety



Prepare Your Pets

Facebook

If you have pets, do you know what you would do with them during a hurricane? Prepare for the worst by assembling an animal emergency supply kit and developing a pet care buddy system. Whether you decide to stay put in an emergency or evacuate to a safer location, you will need to make plans in advance for your pets. <http://www.ready.gov/caring-animals>

Twitter

What would you do with your pets during a hurricane? Make a plan in advance. #HurricanePrep <http://www.ready.gov/caring-animals>



Facebook

During a hurricane, you may have to evacuate to a shelter. If you are going to a public shelter, it is important to understand that animals may not be allowed inside. Plan in advance for shelter alternatives that will work for both you and your pets; consider loved ones or friends outside of your immediate area who would be willing to host you and your pets in an emergency. <http://www.ready.gov/caring-animals>

Twitter

Pets may not be allowed in a public hurricane shelter. Consider alternatives. #HurricaneSafety <http://www.ready.gov/caring-animals>



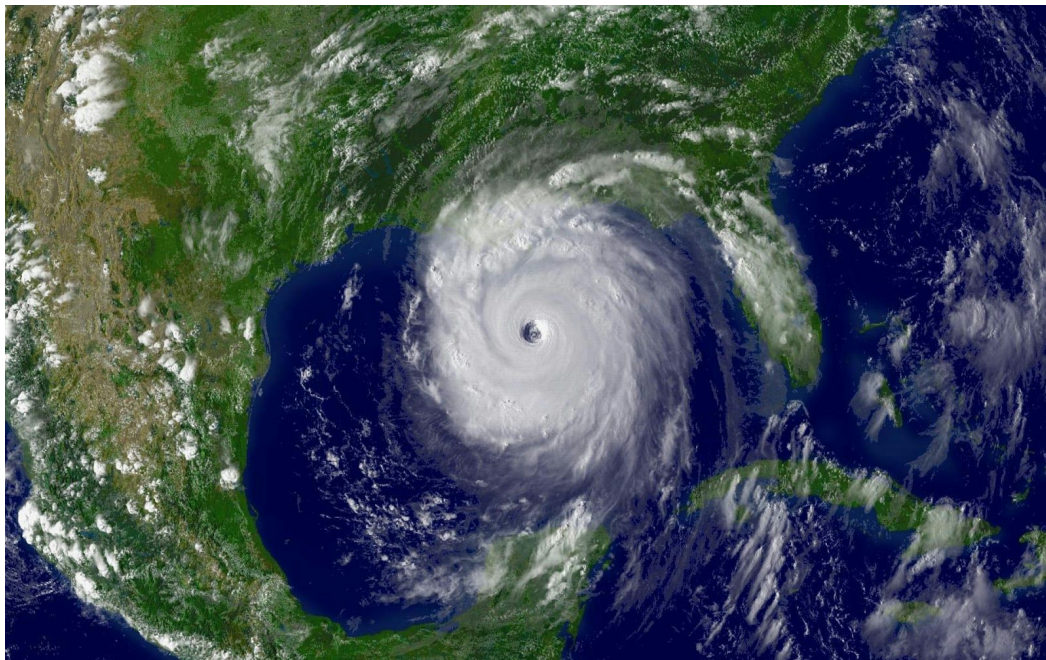
Hurricane Safety for Workers - OSHA

Facebook

Check out these resources from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) and NWS to help workers & employers prep <https://www.osha.gov/dts/weather/hurricane/index.html> #HurricaneSafety

Twitter

Resources from #OSHA & @NWS to help workers & employers prep <https://www.osha.gov/dts/weather/hurricane/index.html> #HurricaneSafety



Facebook

Be ready for hurricanes before they happen. See how to keep workplaces safe when storms hit:
<https://www.osha.gov/dts/weather/hurricane/index.html>

Twitter

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Hurricane Safety Videos

Video 1

Facebook

Understanding the dangers associated with a hurricane or tropical system will help you understand how to prepare. Learn about the dangers in this short video from NOAA's National Hurricane Center.

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Fq_1PwKuRPg&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

Learn about hurricane dangers in this short video from @NOAA @NHC_Atlantic

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Video 2

Facebook

Storm surge is the number one killer in a hurricane. Learn about this deadly danger and what you can do to stay safe.

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=84VFVZS04hM&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

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Video 3

Facebook

Hurricane force winds range from 74 to more than 180 mph. Hurricanes can also produce tornadoes. Learn about the winds associated with hurricanes in this short video.

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BdlnONw09U&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

Hurricanes can have winds faster than 180mph and can produce tornadoes. Learn more:

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-BdlnONw09U&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Video 4

Facebook

Hurricanes produce deadly inland flooding hundreds of miles inland. Learn more in this short video from NOAA's National Hurricane Center.

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=omJoz2u3rZI&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

Hurricanes can produce deadly flooding hundreds of miles inland. Prepare:

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=omJoz2u3rZI&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Video 5

Facebook

NOAA uses many tools to make the most accurate forecast possible. When it comes to tropical systems, much of the information for the computer models comes from the hurricane hunter aircraft, satellites, ocean buoys, weather balloons, and surface observations.

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GV_VXA_Iq-M&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

Learn the tools NOAA scientists use when forecasting hurricanes:

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GV_VXA_Iq-M&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Video 6

Facebook

Now is the time to get ready for a hurricane - before one threatens your community. If you wait until a hurricane is headed your way it may be too late!

[#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEMdeSV7ACY&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Twitter

Prepare now! Get ready before a hurricane threatens your

community. [#HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEMdeSV7ACY&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4)

Video 7

Facebook

Surviving a hurricane requires planning before the storm strikes. Learn what to do before, during and after a hurricane.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SnPcd1_EY1g&feature=youtu.be&list=PL63A9138A2047B1A4 #HurricaneSafety #ItOnlyTakesOne

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Video 8

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